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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant : Kathleen Tyson-Quah
Serial No. : 09/513,440
Filing Date : February 25, 2000
Title of Invention : METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MITIGATING RISK
ASSOCIATED WITH SETTLING OF FOREIGN
EXCHANGE AND OTHER PAYMENTS-BASED
TRANSACTIONS
Examiner : not yet assigned
Group Art Unit : 2756
Attorney Docket : 126-001USA000

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicant requests a three month extension of time in order to file the accompanying Response to Office Action dated March 12, 2003, in connection with the above referenced Application. The extended response time to file the Response to Office Action will expire on September 12, 2003.

Enclosed in payment of the requisite fee of \$465.00 is Thomas J. Perkowski, Esq., P.C. Check No. 3746 in the same amount. Applicant qualifies as a small entity status for the purpose of paying reduced fees in the USPTO. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit Account No. 16-1340. A duplicate of this document is enclosed herewith.

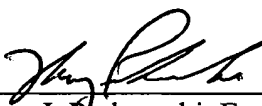
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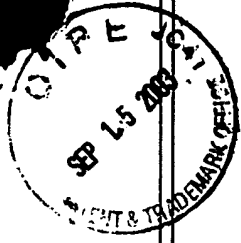
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